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# Deliberative Process/Ex. 5

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My suggestion is that we send a sample RA funding press release to the regions. Some regions might find it helpful.

I made a few small edits to the attached. If others are ok with these edits, maybe Lois can run it by Don and Jim.

Richard, I don't think it is a problem, if the regions want to issue the press release to coincide more closely with the mobilization at the site. I know there are often many months between the time headquarters releases the money to the regions, and work starts at the site.

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Thanks Melissa, excellent summary.

I've also heard that some regions may want to wait until next spring/summer and do press releases then to coincide more closely with actual mobilization/visible work starting on-site. I didn't think that would be a problem but wanted to see if anyone had concerns with that approach.

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Maybe we just want to send regions suggested text for 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary and for mining sites (if Jim wants to do that) rather than the whole press release template? We need to confirm 1) that this is *suggested* text to include, not mandatory and 2) if Jim/Don want to send text for the mining sites, and if so, does our suggested language work.

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How do we go about getting this blessed by Jim/Don? Whatever the process, I'd like to try and get that done quickly so we can get this in the hands of the Regions as soon as possible. Some of them have already moved on this for their sites..... Also, my approach was to indicate to the Regions that this is optional language/format for them to use. Is that true? If we want to make them use it, are we going to ask for those that already issued statements to retract or update what has already been issued?

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Richard,

I've taken a stab at adding 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary and "suggested generic disclaimer language" on mine site work, as you reference in your email, below. I'm sure Dana and Jim will want to take a look at the mine site work language before it is sent to the regions as suggested for a press release. If

we have a communications meeting tomorrow, I will raise it with Jim. Otherwise, Suzanne and Dana can weigh in and then we can send it up to Jim. Because of GKM, this might also be something we need to run past OSWER once we settle on language?

Thanks

Melissa

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Thanks so much Lois. Richard, before you send this out, let us look at these to add in something about the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

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Here you go—I also included language I drafted to be used in a note from Jim to the DDs, encouraging them to issue RA funding press releases—maybe that will be helpful also.

**From:** Wells, Suzanne

**Sent:** Monday, September 21, 2015 3:41 PM

**To:** Gartner, Lois

**Cc:** Dreyfus, Melissa G.; Stalcup, Dana; Jeng, Richard

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Lois,

Can you send us a copy of a draft press release you prepared on RA funding? Thanks.

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Jim would still like each region to be doing a press release and asked for us to provide them any generic languages or messages we want to suggest they include in those press releases. For the mining sites (Callahan Mine, Elizabeth Mine, Ore Knob) we were to include suggested generic disclaimer language on that site work that will take place at those sites and how that may or may not relate to the Agency mining site review efforts.

Any information/language on these areas would be appreciated. As of right now, the Regions are under the impression that they are on their own for doing press releases so the sooner we can give them some feedback on what we may want them to include from a messaging standpoint, the better. Thanks....

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That would be great, thanks. Please let me know what he says.

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FYI, I may bring this up with Jim today to see what his thoughts are.....

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**From:** Rigger, Don  
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**To:** Jeng, Richard  
**Cc:** Monell, Carol  
**Subject:** FW: Press Release for FY15 New Start Sites

Richard – the local paper near Ore Knob has already run a story on the project. Do we still need to issue a release?

**From:** Carr, Lofton  
**Sent:** Monday, September 21, 2015 9:46 AM  
**To:** Coleman, Kerisa; Young, Nestor; Rigger, Don  
**Subject:** FW: Press Release for FY15 New Start Sites

All,

Here is a June 2015 article regarding funding the project thanks to a CAG member that gave me the article. We can issue a press release, however we are on the agenda with the Town of Jefferson Alderman (hopefully for a vote this time) next week Monday September 28. Should we wait and see what the outcome of the meeting is before we issue a press release?

Thanks,

Loften

**From:** Rigger, Don  
**Sent:** Friday, September 18, 2015 5:04 PM  
**To:** Carr, Lofton  
**Cc:** Young, Nestor; Campbell, Richard  
**Subject:** FW: Press Release for FY15 New Start Sites

I'm guessing it won't be too hard to get a little press in Ashe County although I'm not sure anybody reads that paper.

**From:** Jeng, Richard  
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Panel Members,

I've been asked to provide you a reminder that we are hoping each region that received new start funding will do a press release announcing the funding and initiation of work for those particular sites. As we work on the end of fiscal year summaries for FY15, we have the following sites as the new start projects that received funding in FY15 to initiate construction work:

R1 Durham Meadows  
R1 Callahan Mine  
R1 Elizabeth Mine  
R2 Diaz Chemical  
R2 Syncron Resins  
R3 Sharon Steel Corp  
R4 Ore Knob Mine  
R5 Eagle Zinc Co (OU2)  
R6 Jones Road Groundwater Plume  
R7 Madison County Mine  
R9 AMCO Chemical Corporation  
R10 Northwest Pipe & Casing

Please let me know if you envision any problems with doing a press release for these sites.

Also, the three sites that will be identified as unfunded in FY15 include:

R2 Ellis Property Drum Dump  
R2 Radiation Technology  
R4 GMH Electronics

We will be in touch soon once we determine if we are going to do unfunded fact sheets for these three sites like we have done in previous years.

In the meantime, give me a call if you have any questions. Thanks.....

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